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## Long Beach Man Sentenced to 25 Years in Prison For Shooting Code Enforcement Officer

A 54-year-old Long Beach man was sentenced today to 25 years in state prison for attempting to kill a city code enforcement officer and then shooting at officers during a seven-hour standoff, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Anthony Glen Gorospe was sentenced in a Long Beach courtroom by Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Mark C. Kim. In February, Gorospe pleaded no contest to one count of attempted murder and two counts of assault on a peace officer with a semiautomatic firearm.

Deputy District Attorney Geoffrey Lewin with the Crimes Against Peace Officers Unit, who handled the case, said the defendant opened fire on a code enforcement officer and a cleaning crew who arrived at his Long Beach home on July 5, 2012. The crew went to his home in the 6100 block of North John Avenue because he had received several code violations.

Gorospe opened fire from inside his front door and struck the 52-year-old code enforcement officer near the left eye. The victim lost the use of that eye, Lewin said.

Gorospe then barricaded himself inside his home after police officers responded. He shot at officers and eventually surrendered about seven hours later.

Case NA092748 was investigated by the Long Beach Police Department.

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